

TRIBUTE TO RALPH J. GOLZIO

HON. BILL PASCRELL, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, November 15, 2010

Mr. PASCRELL. Madam Speaker, I would like to bring your attention to the extraordinary life of Mr. Ralph J. Golzio. A lifetime resident of New Jersey's Eighth Congressional District, Mr. Golzio celebrates the milestone of his 101st birthday on October 20, 2010. The Italian-American community recognized Mr. Golzio by holding a dinner in his honor on October 17, 2010.

Ralph Golzio was born to Italian-American parents John and Caroline Golzio on October 20, 1909, in my hometown of Paterson, New Jersey. In 1928, his family moved to a larger property in Wayne, New Jersey, where his mother opened the family home to boarders to help make ends meet. Ralph worked at the house, waiting on patrons and hunting to provide food. These experiences inspired in him a lifelong passion for the outdoors.

In 1929, Ralph enrolled at Stevens Institute of Technology. While there, he briefly played lacrosse and baseball for his school before graduating with a degree in Mechanical Engineering in 1932. He returned to Stevens in 1937 for graduate work in ballistics and internal combustion engines. Ralph went on to found Engineering Associates in 1947, enjoying a long and distinguished career as a consulting engineer until his retirement at the age of 78 in 1987.

Ralph's intellectual curiosity persists to this day, as he continues to study nuclear physics, quantum physics, and astronomy in his spare time.

As a Project Engineer at Wrights Aeronautical Company, Ralph met and married his beloved wife Betty. Ralph and Betty shared many interests and passions together, raising two wonderful daughters in Totowa, New Jersey, where Ralph resides to this day. Ralph and Betty shared 43 happy years together before her passing in 1984.

Ralph has always maintained a sunny outlook and an active lifestyle, truly living up to his motto of "play as hard as you work to achieve balance of mind and spirit." His many hobbies have included hiking, climbing, hunting, archery, skeet shooting, speed skating, and snow shoeing. More recently, he cruised through the Caribbean at the age of 92.

The job of a United States Congressman involves much that is rewarding; however, I especially appreciate learning about and recognizing individuals like Ralph J. Golzio.

Madam Speaker, I ask that you join our colleagues, Ralph's family and friends, and the Italian-American community in honoring Mr. Ralph J. Golzio on the occasion of his 101st birthday. His story should be an inspiration for all Americans to live life to the fullest, and he continues to serve as a source of pride and admiration for those who have been touched by him.

CALLING ON TURKISH-OCCUPIED
CYPRUS TO PROTECT RELIGIOUS
ARTIFACTS

SPEECH OF

HON. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 28, 2010

Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas. Madam Speaker, I rise today to convey my opposition to H. Res. 1631, which passed by a voice vote on September 29, 2010.

Unfortunately, I was not able to come to the floor of the House to personally express my concerns that this resolution will be against the interest of the America's Foreign Policy. I have always been and will continue to be a strong advocate for religious freedom, and human rights around the world, but this resolution, while cloaked under the mask of religious freedom is actually a direct attack towards our NATO Ally, Turkey and the Turkish Cypriots.

The United States has supported the many efforts by international organizations who have long been engaged in the efforts to bring about a negotiated compromise to the dispute in Cyprus. Moreover, the current Greek and Turkish Cypriot Leaders are currently engaged in peace talks.

Instead of helping to solve the problem between Greece and Turkey, two NATO Allies, this resolution could harm those careful negotiations. This Congress should be supporting the efforts to find a mutually agreed resolution between the parties instead of passing one-sided resolutions.

I urge this Congress to take actions to ensure that an accord is achieved that would lead to an independent government with both Greek and Turkish Cypriot governmental engagement, and I oppose H. Res. 1631 since it may harm the United States Foreign Policy in that region.

RECOGNITION OF MEDGAR EVERS
COLLEGE**HON. EDOLPHUS TOWNS**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. TOWNS. Madam Speaker, I rise today in recognition of Medgar Evers College in Brooklyn, New York, on the occasion of its 40th anniversary.

Founded as a senior college in 1970 by a group of educators and community leaders, Medgar Evers College provides a broad range of education opportunities for inner-city and non-traditional students within The City University of New York.

The college is named for the slain civil rights leader Medgar Wiley Evers, the Field Secretary for the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) who was slain by an assassin's bullet on June 12, 1963 in his native state of Mississippi as he toiled tirelessly to overcome racial segregation and secure voting rights for African Americans. It is that same indomitable spirit that drove Medgar Evers to pursue justice that drives Medgar Evers College to pursue excellence.

Medgar Evers College continues to advance under the leadership of President Dr. William

Lawrence Pollard, providing higher education to more than 7,000 students during its Fall and Spring semesters.

Madam Speaker, please join me in saluting the outstanding contributions Medgar Evers College has made to the Borough of Brooklyn and our Nation on the occasion of the celebration of its 40th Founders' Day on September 28, 2010.

RECOGNIZING CLAIRE HARRISON
FOR TWENTY-NINE YEARS OF
SERVICE TO THE EASTERN MU-
NICIPAL WATER DISTRICT**HON. DARRELL E. ISSA**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. ISSA. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the honorable civil service of Claire Harrison for her twenty-nine years of service with the Eastern Municipal Water District (EMWD) of California.

Joining the water district team in 1981, Ms. Harrison has been instrumental in working on critical projects for EMWD. She spent the last twelve years of her career in Legislative Affairs where she successfully managed that department and the federal legislative program. As a result, her leadership and direction secured federal support for desalination and recycled water infrastructure that dramatically improved the water supply reliability for southwestern Riverside County.

Ms. Harrison embodies EMWD's mission and values of providing superior services to the community in an effective, proficient manner. As a leader in water management, she has made a remarkable impression on the community EMWD serves.

Having worked with Ms. Harrison on water needs for the 49th District of California, she is a true professional that deserved recognition for her nearly three decades of invaluable contributions to the water industry.

Madam Speaker, I ask you to please join me paying tribute to Ms. Harrison's dedicated and loyal service to the Eastern Municipal Water District.

HONORING THE MASSAPEQUA
FIRE DEPARTMENT'S 100TH AN-
NIVERSARY**HON. PETER T. KING**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. KING of New York. Madam Speaker, this weekend I had the privilege of joining in celebration of the 100th Anniversary of the Massapequa Fire Department. Founded on September 25, 1910, the Massapequa Fire Department has a long history of dedicated volunteerism and service to the Long Island community including Massapequa, Massapequa Park, and East Massapequa.

The Massapequa Fire Department provides around-the-clock fire protection and emergency medical services to approximately 19,000 homes located within its district, responding to an average of 2,400 alarms annually.